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## LEGISLATORS MEET FOR NEW SESSION

Many Arrive to "Repair Fences" And Find Temporary Quarters—"Dark Horse" Talked.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 30.—With but eight days remaining before the fourth legislature convenes in regular session, the first sprinkling of legislators and lobbyists are already upon the city, the former seeking permanent quarters for the next two or three months or beginning the actual battle over the speakership; the latter, making their first stealthy approaches toward the legislative battlements.

The senatorial investigating committee resumes its work Monday at 2 o'clock, and probably will continue right up to January 6, the day before the legislature meets, which is the date set by the senate for reconvening after the special senate session recess. The work of the committee this next week will be a continuation of the probe into the affairs of the state board of affairs, and an investigation of the record in office and policies of the state game warden and the state election board. It is not impossible that the matter of the confirmation of the appointees under fire will go over the regular session, owing to lack of time to complete the probe.

Senator Jones of Sapulpa is the first of the investigating committee to return; Senator Thomas of Lawton, the chairman, may not be in before Tuesday, so it is understood, but his absence will not hinder the work being resumed Monday afternoon.

### Candidates Arriving.

Other legislators arriving are largely of the lower house, about a dozen of whom were on hand Sunday night. J. Roy Williams of Lawton, candidate for speaker, came in Friday, and will be on hand from now forward. J. H. Maxey of Muskogee, another of the four avowed candidates for the speakership, is to be over at least by Tuesday, to establish headquarters. Messrs. Smith of Shawnee and Crawford of Ada are also expected to get here early.

The speakership fight still continues a four-sided affair. And whether the winner will be Smith, Crawford, Maxey or Williams depends largely upon which man the prognosticator is himself favoring. In other words, each of the candidates show unusual confidence and their friends something more than the usual optimism in their behalf. The last month has added but one clear development, and that is, an insistent and growing belief that a fifth candidate may come into sight. The "dark horse" is said to be no other than Hubert L. Bolen of Oklahoma City, who managed Senator Owen's campaign. Representative Bolen is exceedingly non-committal, but the fact remains that his name is mentioned more and more by incoming legislators and politicians generally as that of a man who may change the present four-sided fight into a complete puzzle which he alone will solve.

The fact that the coming session of the legislature will deal with several very important matters affecting each a multitude of persons and interests accounts for the early arrival of lobbyists and the unusual pre-convention activity of local legislative agents. It is believed that the accredited legislative agents that will file with this legislature will trouble those of other sessions, while all the indications point to a large aggregation of "strictly on the Q. T." lobbyists who will not appear officially before the legislature.

### School Book Lobbyists.

The school book companies are credited with having the largest representation among the lobbyists already on hand. The state teachers' association, just adjourned, probably had something to do with the book

men arriving so early. The board of education controversy over the July school book adoption, the fact that the book companies will have to fight in the courts for the contract they secured then, and the proximate certainty that the legislature will take up the matter and have a great deal to say about future school book purchase anyhow, makes Oklahoma at the present time the "storm center" to that small army of school book company "agents" who flock here and there over the United States very skillfully and shrewdly persuading this and that state or county or municipality to adopt their publications.

The school book companies have had detectives here working for them for months, and at the present time have still employed and very busy at times one of the ablest, if not the ablest, private detective who is local to Oklahoma City, and will probably still continue such surveillance of conditions here, in addition to their usual lobbying.

The "open and above board" legislative agents will be numerous also—men who come here with proper credentials, file them with the legislature, and by fair and honest means attempt to get the legislature to deal kindly with the interests they represent. Such will be the legislative committees from various organizations of county officers, the state federation of labor, the chiropractors (who will renew their old fight for legal recognition and equal representation on medical boards). The insurance men may have a man here; the state bankers may do likewise; and also, numerous other communities of interest.

## DISEASE AND CRIME THEIR RELATION

Oklahoma City, Dec. 30.—Declaring that all inmates of Oklahoma penal institutions and asylums are deserving of the same protection against disease as is given to the general public, Dr. J. C. Mahr, state commissioner of health, has prepared far-reaching recommendations to the governor and will present legislation fully covering the subject to the forthcoming legislature.

During the past year Commissioner Mahr selected a staff of specialists and gave each and every inmate of the state penal institutions and asylums a thorough physical examination. His findings are set forth in full in the Biennial Report of the State Health Department, which will be ready for distribution in printer form January 10, 1913. This examination of state charges was thorough. The conclusions reached offer a most interesting study on the subject of relation of disease to crime.

The recommendations for legislation provide for examination of every inmate of state institutions at a certain period each year, for the purpose of ascertaining the condition of the inmates' health, physical defects, and for the purpose of determining the necessity for any need special care and treatment, and to protect against contagious and infectious diseases by separating those who have never been exposed to a contagious disease, or who may be in a position to endanger others by the spread of any contagious or infectious disease. The physician in charge of the institution is required to make a monthly examination and to keep an accurate, detailed record of the condition of health of each and every inmate.

It is further recommended that in each of the state institutions there should be a detention cottage for the temporary detention of every inmate, and for keeping of such inmate a sufficient length of time to insure protection from the carrying of contagious or infectious disease to other inmates.

The establishment of a properly equipped infirmary, in charge of a competent trained nurse, should be provided.

## MO. PACIFIC CHANGE EFFECTIVE JAN. 1ST

Mr. C. L. Stone, passenger traffic manager of the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain, announces some changes which become effective on the first day of January, 1913. Mr. J. G. Hollenbeck, at present assistant general passenger agent of the Iron Mountain at Little Rock, is appointed general passenger agent at St. Louis, succeeding Mr. B. H. Payne who, on account of continued ill health, has been assigned to other duties, in the passenger traffic department at St. Louis.

Mr. F. E. Schroeder, for the past five years chief clerk to the passenger traffic manager, has been appointed assistant general passenger agent of the Iron Mountain at Little Rock, succeeding Mr. Hollenbeck.

Mr. H. H. Butler, chief rate clerk in the passenger traffic department, has been appointed assistant general passenger agent with headquarters at St. Louis. He has been with the Missouri Pacific for the past twenty years and is recognized as an expert on matters pertaining to passenger rates. He will have charge of rates, tariff bureau, etc.

Mr. Payne has been with the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain for 26 years, all of this time filling responsible positions. In his new occupation he will not be required to do any traveling, which will afford him an opportunity to recuperate his health. He will take a vacation for several weeks with his family in the south before resuming active duties.

Mr. Hollenbeck was for a number of years division passenger agent of the L. & N. railroad, at Atlanta, Ga.; later general agent of the passenger department of the Missouri Pacific railway at Cincinnati, and for the last five years has been assistant general passenger agent of the Iron Mountain at Little Rock.

A circular issued by Mr. J. M. Johnson, vice president in charge of traffic of all the Gould lines, announces the appointment of Mr. John Thomson Hendricks to be general traffic manager of the Missouri Pacific Iron Mountain System, effective January 1, 1913. Mr. Hendricks is at present a director and vice president in charge of traffic of the Western Maryland railroad.

The new head of the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain traffic department was born at Shelbyville, Ind., September 20, 1865, and started his railroad career in 1886 as a clerk in the general offices at Cincinnati of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad. Later he was made contracting freight agent for that railroad at Cincinnati, and in 1890 became a traveling freight agent for the Santa Fe out of the office of the general agent of that road in Cincinnati. He was made general agent of the International & Great Northern at Cincinnati in 1893. Later he was transferred to Houston, Tex., then to San Antonio as traveling freight agent for the line, and was finally sent to Dallas, Tex., as general agent of the company. In 1897 he went to the Union Pacific as general agent at Philadelphia. He left there November 1, 1905, to accept the position of assistant general freight agent of the Western Maryland railroad at Baltimore, Md. On January 15, 1906, he was made freight traffic manager of the road, and on the 16th of last October was promoted to be vice president in charge of traffic and also elected a director of the company.

No inmate should be admitted to any state institution until he has passed a careful examination by the county superintendent of health, for the purpose of ascertaining if he is suffering from any disease that might be transmitted to other inmates of the state institutions.

It is pointed out by the state commissioner of health that in the past typhoid fever patients in the maniacal stage of the disease have been committed to the hospital for insane, at Norman, thus endangering the inmates of that institution to typhoid fever. It is pointed out that an epidemic of typhoid fever resulted at the state reformatory at Granite as the result of admitting a prisoner suffering from the disease in the second week stage.

The danger of mixing tuberculous persons with other inmates of state institutions is pointed out by Dr. Mahr.

He recommends the enactment of legislation authorizing the state commissioner of health to adopt such rules and regulations for this purpose of examination, classification, treatment and maintenance of the various public charges in the state institutions as their health may determine, and

## HEALTH CERTIFICATE BEFORE MARRIAGE

Eleemosynary Institutions Tell Sad Tale of Neglected Eugenics.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 30.—That a determined effort will be made at the forthcoming session of the legislature to enact a law requiring the presentation of a health certificate by both parties contemplating marriage before the issuance of the regulation marriage license is forecasted by the activities of the state health department, the State Federation of Women's Clubs, and other organizations, including many of the medical societies of Oklahoma.

In the Biennial Report of the State Health Department, State Commissioner of Health Mahr gives some interesting information on this subject. He declares that the records of inspection recently made by his department of all state institutions will show that had medical certificates been required of the contracting parties 50 years ago, many of the inmates of the penitentiaries, reformatories, asylums and poor farms would not now be charges of the state and a source of expense to the public.

Commissioner Mahr says in part:

"Society recognizes only such unions as are legalized by a license and a regularly performed ceremony. Yet under this cloak these are daily performed crimes every bit as heinous, and far more blighting, than that for which an Oklahoman recently arose in his might as a father and took the life of his daughter's seducer."

"Statistics throughout the United States show that from 60 to 80 per cent of all abdominal operations performed for the purpose of relieving pelvic diseases in married women are the result of a contagious disease from which the husband was suffering at the time of marriage. Statistics from our State Home for Feeble Minded, located at Enid, show that 75 per cent of the inmates of this institution are part of the crop of 'wild single men. Forty SHRDLU RFRFR' sown by their fathers when single men. Forty per cent of the children in the State School for the Blind are denied the right to see the beauties of this world, because their fathers sowed wild oats. They must suffer and pay the penalty for their fathers' few years of reckless life. There are at least 200 inmates in the State Hospitals for Insane whose brains are as blank as a stone wall. They are doomed to live in a madhouse for the rest of their natural lives, the result of alcohol, vice and immorality on the part of their fathers, and the neglect of their maternal grandfather. In the State Deaf and Dumb School located at Sulphur, 40 per cent of the inmates can safely attribute their present physical defects to parent indifference."

Commissioner Mahr declares that such conditions will always exist until they are remedied by law and become a well-understood subject that is fearlessly handled by the pulpit and the press. He declares that "there are many doctors who, for fear of losing business, will not advise a patron that should his daughter marry the young man of her choice, that he will be permitting her to dedicate herself to a life of mental and physical suffering, with the prospect of her becoming a life long invalid."

Commissioner Mahr says further:

"The writer regrets that he is not sufficiently gifted to draw a pen picture so vivid that he might impress upon his readers the danger of paternal indifference in permitting daughters who have been treasured and guarded, innocent of all worldliness, without knowledge of the disease which are a result of immorality and vice, or of the dangers that he in wait for them, to become a sacrifice when they give themselves at the altar to the men whom they hope to make happy."

Miss Bessie Spaulding left last evening for Kansas City after spending the holidays with her parents here.

that an annual examination be made, or more frequently, if necessary.

Commissioner Mahr declares that he believes that the state is obligated to properly care for all human beings placed in its custody, and that this obligation can only be met when some authorized agent of the government is designated and armed with sufficient authority to bring about such reforms as may be necessary to preserve the health of the state's charges.

### "The County Sheriff."

O. E. Wee will present at the Grand tonight his new version by Lem B. Parker, "The County Sheriff," a strong comedy drama in four acts. The play has been entirely rewritten and this version is presented for the first time in this city. The play is one of the Dakota's and deals with the efforts of the county sheriff to break up a gang of cattle thieves, and incidentally to win the heart and hand of Melba. Especial attention has been given to the staging of this play. The second act showing Dayton's ranch in the evening with the mountains in the distance, with a small camp, lights aglow, perched high upon the mountain side and the singing of the cowboys in the distance, never fails to bring forth vociferous applause at the rise of the curtain. A new play, new company, new scenic production, and new specialties and many other features. Special reduced prices. Entire balcony 25c, dress circle 50c, parquet 75c.

### Oklahoma Charters Issued.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 30.—The following state charters were issued:

American State bank, Pryor; capital, \$25,000; incorporators, O. O. Snyder, J. C. Wickham, J. C. Martin, J. H. Quinn, Ed Swartney, Harry Seaton, J. A. Lively, John Sullivan and George A. Montgomery, Pryor, and A. J. Langer, Davenport.

Broken Bow Light & Power Co., Broken Bow; capital, \$5,000; incorporators, H. M. Kirkpatrick, C. E. Baxter and A. E. Hart, Idabel; F. H. Dierks, H. L. Dierks and Herman Dierks, Kansas City.

Bullett Land company, Tulsa; capital, \$15,000; incorporators, George Bullett, George S. Berry and J. T. Anderson, Tulsa.

Burr Oil & Gas Co., Tulsa; capital, \$24,000; incorporators, Edward N. Burr, John S. Glazier, Kansas City; Roger S. Sherman, Helen A. Smith, Tulsa, and R. D. Wallace, Independence.

Henryetta Development company, Henryetta; capital, \$70,000; incorporators, W. B. Hudson, J. B. Swan, C. H. Kellogg and C. J. O'Hornett, Henryetta.

Okemah Gas company, Okmulgee; capital, \$30,000; incorporators, W. A. Brown, S. E. Pierson, Carroltown, Ill., and E. E. Schock, Okmulgee.

Okmulgee Hardware company, Okmulgee; capital, \$10,000; incorporators, R. E. Rea, I. J. Hunter, Frank H. Braunlich and Ernest C. Lambert, Okmulgee.

G. E. Barrows, a New York broker, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Malone Sunday and today. Mr. Barrows was here five years ago and says that he never saw a town improve as Vinita has during that period.

## CORN AND CHICKEN ANNUAL SHOW

The Second Annual Interstate Corn And Poultry Show.

Pittsburg, Kans., Dec. 30.—The second Annual Interstate Corn and Poultry Show will be held at the State Manual Training School January 29, 30, 31, 1913. Everything is being done to make this show the largest and best ever held in this section of the country and it should receive the hearty support of every corn and poultry grower in Kansas, southwestern Missouri and northern Oklahoma. Through the co-operation of our business men we are able to offer over \$500.00 in cash or its equivalent as prizes. At this time there will also be held a Farmers' Institute. There will be lectures and round tables on stock feeding, corn growing, soil fertility, fruit growing and poultry raising. We will have with us able agricultural speakers from our agricultural colleges and the U. S. department of agriculture. Nothing has been spared to obtain the best agricultural talent in the country for this occasion.

There will also be premiums offered to ladies exhibiting the best bread, cakes, pies, canned fruit, pickles, etc., also a large number of prizes for the best needlework exhibited. The ladies will have special lectures on the preparation of food, household sanitation, economy, etc. Demonstrations will be given in cooking, baking and sewing. It will be to the interest of your home and county that you be present and do your part in making this the greatest agricultural meet ever held in this section. Dinner will be served free. Expense small; opportunity great. Plan now to be with us. Bring your family and invite your neighbors. For further information and premium list write Prof. B. W. Scheib, Pittsburg, Kans.

### Court Records in New Home.

The Tom Isabell Transfer company today completed the moving of the county records to the new court house in the Buffington building. The different officers have their rooms now in order and are ready for business. The court room will be in the down stairs room formerly used as the dining room in the hotel and has been fixed so that it will make a splendid place and will easily accommodate the crowds that may wish to attend the court. The county offices and the U. S. Indian agents office will take about forty of the rooms upstairs.

## Our Continued Growth

is evidence that our store service is satisfactory. It is with considerable pride that we note a healthy increase in business over each preceding year. Every year has been better with us than the year before. This makes us feel that our efforts to please the people of this vicinity have not been in vain. We believe that if we patronize the leading manufacturers of this country in making our purchases and secure for reselling merchandise that is absolutely guaranteed to us, and that if we resell this merchandise, at a margin of profit necessary, that the transaction is, in the majority of instances, perfectly satisfactory. That has been our experience and is, we believe, the experience of every successful store. We will adhere rigidly to this policy.

We have made the largest gain in sales this year of any year since we have been in business.

Our December sales were 33 per cent larger than December of last year.

**Sanders-Wright**  
VINITA'S BIG DEPARTMENT STORE

## WILLOW CALF BUTTON BOOTS

Our "big misses" low-heel, mannish shoe which has been such a favorite this fall is again in stock—all sizes and also

## SEVERAL OTHER NOVELTIES

MILFORD-BERGER SHOE COMPANY